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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of
ANDRIES P. HEKSTRA ET AL.

Atty. Docket
PHNL 020183

Serial No.: 10/506,375

Group Art Unit: 2133

Filed: September 2, 2004

Examiner: M.M. Chaudry

Title: METHOD OF JOINT DECODING OF POSSIBLY MUTILATED CODE WORDS

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Enclosed is an amendment in the above-identified application.


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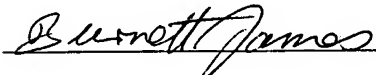
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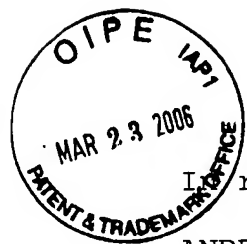

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action mailed January 3, 2006,
please amend the above-identified application as follows: